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In re application of: Ahron Meir EYAL, et al

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For: PROCESS FOR THE RECOVERY OF LACTIC ACID BY CONTACTING
AQUEOUS SOLUTIONS CONTAINING THE SAME WITH A BASIC ORGANIC
EXTRACTANT

Attorney Docket No.: U 012190-3

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

REQUEST FOR REFUND

Deposit Account 12-0425 was charged \$108.00 (Fee Code 103) for claims in excess of twenty on May 7, 2001 (Control No. 1). However, this application had eighteen (18) claims that were cancelled by the Amendment mailed on April 25, 2001 and were replaced by new claims 19-34, a total of sixteen (16) total claims. Therefore, no fee should be due for additional claims over twenty.

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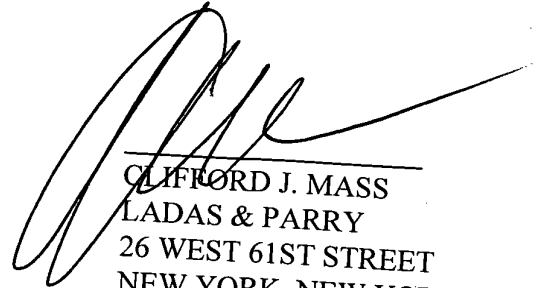
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